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AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following claims prior to examination of the above-referenced application for reissue:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 33 to 38, as follows:

33. A test strip comprising a sample application port and edges wherein the sample application port is located along an indented edge to provide for identification of the sample application port.

34. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber and a sample application port wherein the sample application port is adjacent said capillary fill chamber and is located along an indented edge.

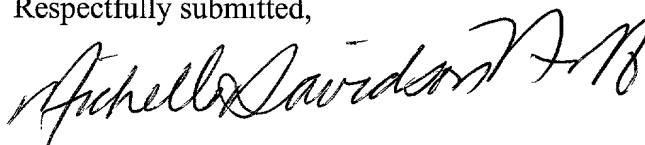
35. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber bounded by a first insulating substrate having a notch and a roof having a notch wherein the substrate notch and the roof notch are aligned and positioned at the entrance of a sample application port.

36. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber with a sample application port wherein the upper and lower boundaries for the capillary fill chamber have notches that are aligned at the sample application port.

37. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber wherein a roof of the chamber contains a transparent or translucent window that is bounded by a substantially opaque portion, the window area defining the minimum sample amount required to accurately perform a test.

38. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber and a roof positioned adjacent the capillary fill chamber and forming a boundary for said chamber, the roof comprising a frame portion and a window portion wherein the frame portion is of such color or opacity as to provide a contrast between said frame and said window portion.

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STATUS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIMS

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Below please find the status, as of the date of the amendment filed with the above-referenced application for reissue, of all patent claims and added claims as well as an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes made to the claims:

Claim	Status	Support
1	Pending	Claim unchanged from original patent
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33	Pending	Column 1, lines 57-60; column 3, lines 1-2; column 4, lines 8-11 and lines 24-28; Abstract; Claims 1, 11, and 27.
34	Pending	Column 1, lines 57-60; column 3, lines 1-2; column 4, lines 8-11 and lines 24-28; Abstract; Claims 1, 11, and 27.
35	Pending	Column 2, lines 15-31; column 3, lines 1-2; column 4, lines 24-28; column 5, lines 9-14; Abstract; Claims 11, 25, 29, and 31.
36	Pending	Column 2, lines 15-31; column 3, lines 1-2; column 4, lines 24-28; column 5, lines 9-14; Abstract; Claims 11, 25, 29, and 31.
37	Pending	Column 1, line 61 – column 2, line 14; column 4, lines 36-41; column 5, lines 1-8; column 8, lines 25-31; column 8, line 52 – column 9, line 9; Abstract; Claims 6, 16, 26, 28, 30, and 32.
38	Pending	Column 1, line 61 – column 2, line 14; column 4, lines 36-41; column 5, lines 1-8; column 8, lines 25-31; column 8, line 52 – column 9, line 9; Abstract; Claims 6, 16, 26, 28, 30, and 32.

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